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Editorial Notes

The "relics of St. Anthony" were "exposed" in a New Orleans Romanist church, for adoration a few days ago, on the occasion of the feast of that saint. A few credulous people are yet to be found even in enlightened North America.

The recent Assembly had more than the usual number of applications to add columns to its statistical tables. We sometimes wonder what would be the present width of the sheet that would be needful had all such overtures in the past ten years been answered in the affirmative.

The Jewish Ledger, a weekly New Orleans paper of thirty-two pages, in its issue of June 18, publishes in full the sermon of Dr. W. W. Moore, on "Religion in the Home," delivered at the opening of the recent General Assembly. It fills nearly fifteen columns of the paper.

So little confidence is to be placed in the Leopold government and courts in the Congo Free State that it may be doubted, until more explicit information comes, whether the postponement for a few weeks of the Shepard-Morrison case means anything more than a harassing of our missionaries and putting them to a further great expense. We should wait and see.

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada has made its Committee of Systematic Giving a Budget Committee representative of the committees having charge of the missionary and educational work of the Church. This Committee met last September and adopted estimates for the then current year amounting to \$630,000. In our Assembly at Savannah, in answer to an overture of East Hanover Presbytery, asking for a permanent Committee of Adjustment, specifying that its members should not be from our Executive Committee, a paper was adopted directing the appointment of a Committee "on co-ordinating the work of the several executive committees." Dr. J. W. Bachman, of Chattanooga, is the chairman.

Volmer's "Life of John Calvin" is the best short history of the great Genevan Reformer lately published. It is issued by our Committee of Publication, and may be had of that committee from either of its offices. Every Presbyterian should read it before July 10, the four hundredth anniversary of Calvin's birth.

In glancing over the American Bible Society's reports of monthly receipts, we have often noticed the predominance of Presbyterian Church names, showing the faithfulness of our Presbyterians to the great cause. In the April receipts from churches there appear four hundred and seventy-eight names. All of these, except seventeen, were either Presbyterian or Methodist.

In Paul's first visit to Philippi we have a fine example of that Christian hospitality which was so often practiced in the early Church. The Lord Jesus had said to his disciples that when they entered a city they were to seek out those who were worthy and with them abide. The Apostle had no difficulty in finding the worthy in Philippi. Lydia besought him and his companions to come into her house and abide there. It was a beautiful illustration of a beautiful grace.—H.

Park College, Missouri, a Presbyterian institution, has sent a petition from graduates of the college asking the State legislature to submit the question of State prohibition to a vote of the people. The college is one of the largest educational institutions in the South and this list of signatures by Alumni is said to be fifteen feet long. It would add increased momentum to the temperance cause throughout the country if the students in our schools and colleges would give it their influence in this substantial way. The liquor traffic aims its deadliest blow at those who, now in their youth, are to assume the responsibilities of the men and women of the near future.

On Tuesday, June 15, the Ninth Council of the Alliance of Reformed Churches, holding the Presbyterian system, was opened in the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, New York. Devotional services were conducted by the Rev. J. Ross Stephenson, pastor of the church, and Principal Scuyenger, of Canada. In the afternoon the opening sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. James D. Moffatt, president of Washington and Jefferson College. An address of welcome was made by the Rev. Dr. D. J. Burwell, of the Reformed Church, New York, and Sir Samuel Chisholm, former lord provost of Glasgow, responded for the delegates. The night's session was given to the address of the president of the Alliance, Dr. J. Oswald Dykes, of Cambridge, England. He touched upon the labors in the missionary field, advising a combination of all Christian forces in the work.